

A *eweknit* PATTERN

MERIDIENNE DRESS

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DESCRIPTION

This dress is knit from the bottom up with a simple texture in the skirt that transitions to a geometric texture in the yoke. Knit with a bulkier yarn this dress will keep you warm when paired with tights throughout the winter and can be used as a transition throughout the seasons depending on how you style it. The all over texture will keep you entertained and the larger gauge will have you finishing this in no time!

EXPERIENCE LEVEL

Intermediate

TECHNIQUES USED

Long-tail cast on
Knitting and purling in the round
Increasing and decreasing
Reading a chart
Working with DPNs (optional)
German Short-rows
Binding off
Kitchener Stitch or 3 needle bind off

GAUGE

17 sts & 25 rows = 4" / 10 cm over Broken Double Rib Pattern on 5.00 mm (US 8) needles, after blocking.
16 sts & 20 rows = 4" / 10 cm in Stockinette / Stocking stitch on 5.00 mm (US 8) needles, after blocking.

SIZES

XS (S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X, 4X) To be worn with approx 4-6" / 10 - 15 cm positive ease.

MATERIALS

Yarn

Harrisville DAYLIGHTS (DK weight; 80% Como, 20% Wool; 250 yards / 229 meters per 100 g)

5 (5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 8) skeins in Bloodshot

Isager SILK MOHAIR (Lace weight; 75% Mohair, 25% Silk; 232 yards / 212 meters per 25g)

5 (5, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9, 9) skeins in 62

Needles

4.50 mm (US 7) circular needle 16" / 40 cm (optional), 32" / 80 cm (or longer for larger sizes), and a set of Double Pointed Needles (DPNs)

5.00 mm (US 8) circular needle 16" / 40 cm (optional), 32" / 80 cm (or longer for larger sizes), and a set of Double Pointed Needles (DPNs)

or needle size required to obtain correct gauge.

Notions

Stitch marker for BOR, waste yarn or stitch holders, tapestry needle

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bust Circumference: 34 (39½, 45, 48, 51, 56½, 59, 65)" / 86.5 (100, 114, 122, 129.5, 143.5, 150, 165) cm

Body Length to Underarm (at centre front): 19 (19½, 20, 20½, 21, 21½, 22, 22½)" / 48 (49.5, 51, 52, 53.5, 54.5, 56, 57) cm

Sleeve length to Underarm: 16½ (16½, 17, 17, 17½, 17½, 18, 18)" / 42 (42, 43, 43, 44.5, 44.5, 45.5, 45.5) cm

Upper Arm: 12½ (14, 14, 15½, 15½, 17, 18½, 19¼)" / 32 (35.5, 35.5, 39.5, 39.5, 43, 47, 50) cm

Yoke Depth (front to neckband): 7½ (7½, 7½, 8, 8, 9, 9½, 9½)" / 19 (19, 19, 20.5, 20.5, 23, 24, 24)cm

PATTERN NOTES

This is a circular yoke tunic length pullover worked from the bottom up. The body and sleeves are worked separately in the round to the base of the yoke, then joined to work the yoke. Short-rows are worked in the lower hem, and back of neck for a more comfortable fit. Sleeve instructions are written to use DPNs, however an alternate method of working small circumferences can be used, such as Magic-Loop. As the yoke decreases, change to a shorter circular needle.

STITCH GUIDE

M1L (make 1 stitch left leaning)

Insert left needle, from front to back, under strand of yarn which runs between next st on left needle and last st on right needle; knit this st through back loop (1 st increased)

M1R (make 1 stitch right leaning)

Insert left needle, from back to front, under strand of yarn which runs between next at on left needle and last st on right needle; knit this st through front loop (1 st increased)

Make double stitch (German Short-rows)

Slip the first stitch on the left needle purlwise and pull the working yarn **over top of** the right needle tightly to create a double stitch. This is really the two legs of the stitch in the row below. Reposition the yarn as needed for the next stitch: to the front for a purl stitch, to the back for a knit stitch. Work the next few sts tighter than usual. Later, when working the double stitch, work it as a single stitch (like a k2tog). This is the key feature of the German Short Row.

ABBREVIATIONS

Approx. approximately

BOR beginning of round

Dec(d) decrease(d)

DPNs double pointed needles

Inc(d) increase(d)

k(K) knit

k2tog knit 2 stitches together (decrease)

M1L (see Stitch Guide)

M1R (see Stitch Guide)

patt pattern

p(P) purl

PM place marker

rep repeat

rnd(s) round(s)

RS right side of fabric

SM slip marker

st(s) stitch(es)

St st Stockinette/stocking stitch

tog together

WS wrong side of fabric

* repeat instructions from the asterisk as directed

[] repeat instructions in brackets as directed

STITCH PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

Broken Double Rib Patt (4 st rep)

Rnd 1: Knit.

Rnd 2: [K2, p2] to end.

Rnd 3: As rnd 2.

Rnd 4: Purl.

Rep rnds 1-4 for patt.

PATTERN BEGINS

Sleeves (make 2)

Using 4.50 mm (US 7) DPNs, cast on 42 (46, 46, 50, 50, 54, 56, 58) sts using the long-tail cast on method, or your preferred method of knitting small circumferences (DPNs, short circular needles, or Magic-Loop). Join in round making sure that sts are not twisted around needle. PM for BOR.

Purl 1 rnd.

Knit 1 rnd.

Rep last 2 rnds once more.

Next Rnd: [K1, p1] to end.

Rep last rnd until cuff measures 2" / 5 cm from cast on edge and inc 6 (6, 6, 6, 6, 8, 10) sts evenly spaced across last rnd, using an MIL. — 48 (52, 52, 56, 56, 60, 64, 68) sts

Purl 1 rnd.

Knit 1 rnd.

Purl 1 rnd.

Change to 5.00 mm (US 8) DPNs (or needle in preferred style for working small circumferences), and work as follows:

Work Rnds 1-4 of Broken Double Rib Patt (See Stitch Pattern Instructions)

Rep rnds 1-4 of Broken Double Rib Patt twice more.

Sleeve Increases

Inc Rnd: K1, M1L, knit to 1 st before BOR marker, M1R, k1. — 2 sts inc'd.

Beginning with Rnd 2 of Broken Double Rib Patt, continue in patt as established and, at same time, rep inc rnd every 16th (16th, 16th, 12th, 12th, 8th, 8th, 8th) rnd 2 (3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 6, 7) more times taking the inc'd sts into patt. — 54 (60, 60, 66, 66, 72, 78, 84) sts

Continue in patt in the rnd until sleeve measures 13 (13, 13½, 13½, 14, 14, 14½, 14½)" / 33 (33, 34, 34, 35.5, 35.5, 37, 37) cm from cast on edge or 3½" / 9 cm less than desired length to underarm, ending with a rnd 4 of patt.

Knit 1 rnd.

Purl 1 rnd.

Knit 1 rnd.

Reading all rnds from right to left, work from Chart A, rep'ing the 6 st rep 9 (10, 10, 11, 11, 12, 13, 14) times around until 16 rnds of chart are complete.

Next Rnd: Purl, ending 3 (3, 3, 3, 3, 6, 6, 6) sts before BOR marker.

Place next 6 (6, 6, 6, 6, 12, 12, 12) sts on waste yarn or st holder for underarm, removing marker. — 48 (54, 54, 60, 60, 60, 66, 72) sts

Set aside first sleeve, placing remaining 48 (54, 54, 60, 60, 60, 66, 72) sts on waste yarn or spare needle. Break yarn.

Work second sleeve as first.

Body

Using 4.50 mm (US 7) longer circular needle, cast on 144 (168, 192, 204, 216, 240, 252, 276) sts using the long-tail cast on method, or your

preferred method of cast on. PM for BOR and join in the rnd, making sure that sts are not twisted around needle. BOR is positioned at side seam.

Rnd 1: P72 (84, 96, 102, 108, 120, 126, 138), PM (side marker), purl to end of rnd.

Rnd 2: Knit to next marker, SM, knit to end.

Rnd 3: Purl.

Rnd 4: Knit

Next Rnd: [K1, p1] to end.

Rep last rnd 7 more times.

Work Lower Back Short-Rows

Short-Row 1 (RS): [K1, p1] to side marker, SM, [k1, p1] over next 4 sts, turn.

Short-Row 2 (WS): Make double st, slipping marker, [k1, p1] as established to BOR, SM, [k1, p1] as established over next 4 sts, turn.

Short-Row 3 (RS): Make double st, bring yarn to front for a purl st or to back for a knit st, slipping markers, [k1, p1] as established to 4 (4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6) sts before the double st, turn.

Short-Row 4 (WS): Make double st, bring yarn to front for a purl st or to back for a knit st, slipping markers, [k1, p1] as established to 4 (4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6) sts before the double st, turn. Rep Short-Rows 3 and 4, 2 (2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3) more times.

Next Rnd (RS): [K1, p1] to BOR marker, working the double sts as one (like a k2tog or a p2tog). – 144 (168, 192, 204, 216, 240, 252, 276) sts

Purl 1 rnd, working the remaining double sts as one (like a p2tog).

Knit 1 rnd.

Purl 1 rnd.

Change to 5.00 mm (US 8) longer circular needle.

Adjustment Rnd: Evenly increase 12 (12, 12, 16, 16, 16, 20, 20) sts across rnd. – 156 (180, 204, 232, 256, 272, 296) sts

Work in Broken Double Rib Patt (See Stitch Pattern Instructions) while at the same time decreasing 1 st at each side marker every 12 (12, 12, 16, 16, 16, 20, 20) rnds 6 (6, 6, 8, 8, 8, 10, 10) times while keeping in Broken Double Rib Patt and continue working in Broken Double Rib Patt until work measures 15½ (16, 16½, 17, 17½, 18, 18½, 19) / 39.5 (40.5, 42, 43, 44.5, 45.5, 47, 48) cm from centre front cast on edge or 3½" / 9 cm less than desired length to underarm, ending with a rnd 4 of patt.

Knit 1 rnd.

Purl 1 rnd.

Knit 1 rnd.

Reading all rnds from right to left, work from Chart A, rep'ing the 6 st rep 24 (28, 32, 34, 36, 40, 42, 46) times around until 16 rnds of chart are complete.

Purl 1 rnd.

Join for Yoke

Next Rnd: Knit next 3 (3, 3, 3, 3, 6, 6, 6) sts, then place these sts on waste yarn for underarm, removing BOR. Knit across 66 (78, 90, 96, 102, 108, 114, 126) sts for back, place next 6 (6, 6, 6, 6, 12, 12, 12) sts on waste yarn for underarm, removing side marker. Transfer sts from first sleeve on to left needle of body, and k48 (54, 54, 60, 60, 60, 66, 72) sts for left sleeve. Knit across 66 (78, 90, 96, 102, 108, 114, 126) sts for front, place next 3 (3, 3, 3, 3, 6, 6, 6) sts on waste yarn for underarm. Transfer sts from second sleeve on to left needle of back, and k48 (54, 54, 60, 60, 60, 66, 72) sts for right sleeve. PM for BOR. – 228 (264, 288, 312, 324, 336, 360, 396) sts with BOR marker at back right.

Purl 1 rnd.

Knit 1 rnd.

Reading all rnds from right to left, work from Chart B, rep'ing the 6 st rep 38 (44, 48, 52, 54, 56, 60, 66) times around until 32 rnds of chart are

complete. — 152 (176, 192, 208, 216, 224, 240, 264) sts

Purl 1 rnd.
Knit 1 rnd.
Purl 1 rnd.

Sizes S, M, L, 2X & 3X Only

Next Rnd (Dec Rnd): [K2, k2tog] to end. — (132, 144, 156, -, 168, 180, -) sts

Sizes XS, XL & 4X Only: *[K2, k2tog] 18 (-, -, -, 26, -, -, 32) times, k2tog twice*; rep from * to * once more. — 112 (-, -, -, 160, -, -, 196) sts

All Sizes Resume

Work Rnds 2-4 of Broken Double Rib Patt (See Stitch Pattern Instructions)

Rep rnds 1-4 of Broken Double Rib Patt 2 (2, 2, 3, 3, 5, 5, 5) more times.

Sizes XS, M, L, XL & 2X Only

Adjustment Rnd: K4 (-, 9, 0, 2, 0, -, -), [k2tog, k4 (-, 1, 1, 1, 1, -, -)] to last 0 (-, 9, 0, 2, 0, -, -) sts, k0 (-, 9, 0, 2, 0, -, -). — 94 (-, 102, 104, 108, 112, -, -) sts

Size S Only

Adjustment Rnd: K- (8, -, -, -, -, -, -), [k2tog, k1, k2tog, k2] to last - (5, -, -, -, -, -, -), k- (5, -, -, -, -, -, -). — (98, -, -, -, -, -, -) sts

Sizes 3X & 4X Only

Adjustment Rnd: K- (-, -, -, -, -, 0, 2), [k2tog, k1] to last - (-, -, -, -, -, 0, 2) sts, k- (-, -, -, -, -, 0, 2). — (-, -, -, -, -, 120, 132) sts.

Purl 1 rnd.

Adjustment Rnd: Knit, dec - (-, -, -, -, -, 6, 16) sts evenly spaced around. — (-, -, -, -, -, 114, 116) sts

All Sizes Resume

Neckband

With 4.50 mm (US 7) DPNs (or needle in preferred style for working small circumferences), work as follows:

Rnd 1: [K1, p1] to end.

Rep rnd 1 once more.

Work Back Neck Short-Rows

Short-Row 1 (RS): [K1, p1] over next 40 (42, 44, 44, 46, 48, 50, 50) sts, turn.

Short-Row 2 (WS): Make double st, slipping marker, [k1, p1] as established to BOR, SM, [k1, p1] as established over next 8 sts, turn.

Short-Row 3 (RS): Make double st, bring yarn to front for a purl st or to back for a knit st, slipping markers, [k1, p1] as established to 4 (4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6) sts before the double st, turn.

Short-Row 4 (WS): Make double st, bring yarn to front for a purl st or to back for a knit st, slipping markers, [k1, p1] as established to 4 (4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6) sts before the double st, turn.
Rep Short-Rows 3 and 4 once more.

Next Rnd (RS): [K1, p1] to BOR marker, working the double sts as one (like a k2tog or a p2tog). — 94 (98, 102, 104, 108, 112, 114, 116) sts

Next Rnd: [K1, p1] to end, working the remaining double sts as one (like a k2tog or a p2tog).

Rep rnd 1, 12 more times.

Bind off evenly in [k1, p1] rib.

FINISHING

Use 3 needle bind off or Kitchener st to join underarm sts. Weave in ends, closing any gaps that remain at the underarms. Block to measurements.

CHARTS

CHART A

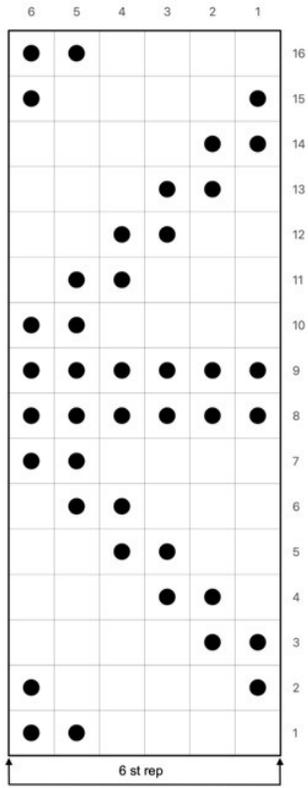
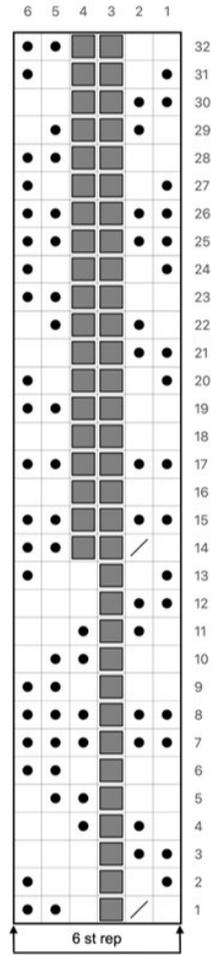
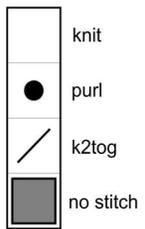


CHART B



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